

HIOSH FY 2005 Revised Inspection Scheduling Program

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) adopted the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) in 2004 and discontinued the use of the Standard Industrial Classification System (SIC). The NAICS is designed to reflect recent industries in our Nation's changing economy and is based on the idea that establishments are grouped into industries according to similarity in the processes used to produce goods or services. The occupational safety and health statistics will conform to this classification system that will be used uniformly by all statistical agencies. More information on NAICS, including background and definitions is available from the BLS website: <http://www.bls.gov/bls/naics.htm>.

Because of the switch to NAICS, there have been changes to structuring and defining industry sectors, to the establishments under particular codes and resultant changes to BLS injury and illness rates. Using the 2003 BLS data, HIOSH revised its emphasis industries for its FY 2005 inspection scheduling program (list will be clickable on web) to focus on those industries with total recordable case rates (TRC*) and/or days away from work, restricted or transfer (DART**) case rates that were higher than the State's TRC and DART rates. For all private industry in Hawaii, the TRC rate is 5.4 and the DART rate is 3.4.

Note:

* Total Recordable Case Rate (TRC):

The TRC rate is calculated using the following formula: $N/EH \times 200,000$

where N = number of recordable injuries and illnesses

EH = total hours worked by all employees during the calendar year

200,000 = base for 100 full-time equivalent workers (working 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year)

** Days away, Restricted, or Transferred Rate (DART):

The DART rate is calculated using the following formula: $N/EH \times 200,000$

where N = number of injuries and/or illness with days away, restricted work, or job transfer

EH = total hours worked by all employees during the calendar year

200,000 = base for 100 full-time equivalent workers (working 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year)

During FY 2005, all employers with eleven or more employees in these industries will be randomly selected for inspection, therefore, HIOSH encourages employers within these industries to contact its Consultation and Training Branch at 586-9100 to arrange for a free, confidential on-site consultation with no citations and penalties.

In addition to using the basic inspection scheduling list, HIOSH will continue to conduct unprogrammed inspections that result from accidents, complaints, follow-ups, imminent danger and referrals.